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Dear Alan:

A few days ago Malcolm outlined to me verbally the most recent developments in the Baltic project.

It seems that for several weeks the Foreign Office has been conducting negotiations with Swedish authorities through the British Ambassador in Stockholm. The Swedes have proved somewhat uncooperative up to the present and are not disposed to permit the building of any monitoring site in the country. It appears, however, they would interpose no official objection to a monitoring activity within the confines of the Embassy. Some doubt has been expressed, though, whether there is room for such an installation in the Embassy grounds and also about the quality of reception in the area. These matters are being investigated further.

Simultaneously, a similar approach is being made to the Danish Government for a possible site in Denmark. Contact is also being established with the British Occupation Force for permission to explore the area near Hamburg.

Malcolm intimated that U. S. financial assistance in providing communications might be eventually solicited. No formal suggestion to this effect, however, is contemplated at this time.

I shall communicate with you as soon as there is anything further to report.

Sincerely,

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